

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7038

By McKenzie

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Bob Black of Knoxville.

WHEREAS, we were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Bob Black of Knoxville;  
and

WHEREAS, Bob Black was a dedicated public servant and consummate educator who  
worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities;  
and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black served with acumen and alacrity as an assistant football coach at  
Fulton High School in Knoxville, in which position he earned the respect and admiration of his  
colleagues, his students, and his community alike for the superior quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a 1960 graduate of Fulton High School himself, Bob Black returned to his  
alma mater as an assistant football coach in 1965 and served as the head coach in 1969 and  
1970; he also served as an athletic director; and

WHEREAS, for his myriad and multi-faceted efforts, Mr. Black was inducted into the  
Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame in 2008 and the Greater  
Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame in 2012; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, the Fulton High School football field was named the Bob Black  
Field in his honor; and

WHEREAS, his abiding and abundant love of Fulton athletics was passed down to his  
son, Rob Black, who served Fulton High School as the co-athletic director and as a coach, in  
which position he contributed to six state championships; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his athletic expertise, Bob Black served his community as an  
administrator and a teacher for more than fifty years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Bob Black, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Black.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.